

The Knoxville Whig.

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UNION FOR THE SAKE OF UNION.

Now, by Saint Paul, the work goes bravely on,
The Stars and Stripes are up for Liberty!
Flag of the Nation—Talisman of the Free!
Cure'll be the hand that dares to pluck them down.
Traitors may trample—Rebel States disown,
The clouds of war encompass land and sea;
The stars may fall from heaven, but not from these.
They narrow stripes shall stand where stands the sun.
Up! Up! No more concession now!

Act! and! The hour for words is over past.

Knoxville, Saturday, April 9, 1864.

Brownlow on the Rebellion.

One hundred copies of this Book, containing 458 pages, and twelve engravings, are for sale at the Custom House, price \$1.25. The same book may be had at the office of the *Whig* by application to Mr. Haws, the foreman in the office.

Sale of Furniture on Friday.

The military authorities having turned over to the civil authorities certain dishes, plates, bedsteads, chairs, copper and brass kettles, knives and forks, some crockery ware, &c., &c., at the Lamar House, they will be sold on the premises to the highest bidder, for cash, on Friday next.

Public Sale on Monday.

There will be sold, to the highest bidder, for cash, in front of the Custom House, on Monday next, beginning at 10 o'clock, some furniture, some floor, some lard, &c., &c.

Religious Service

There will be preaching in the Court House next Sabbath at 10½ A. M., and 3 P. M., by Delegates of the Christian Commission. All soldiers and citizens are invited to attend.

To our Exchanges--Greeting:

Complaints are made by some of the papers that published our prospects, that we have failed to exchange with them. Let them send their papers to us at this place, and a single copy to Capt. A. E. Blount, of Cincinnati, and he will forward the exchange. One copy to Blount, marked, or *and paper*, marked "exchange," and their regular issue to the "Whig," Knoxville, Tenn." This is as plain as we can state the case, and attention to these directions will secure the exchange.

Second Concert of Mrs. Wicks.

By the request of several officers and citizens Mrs. Wicks and her pupils, aided by a few amateur musical friends, gave a second concert on Friday evening last. This, like the first one, was a decided success, and elicited the warmest praise of those present. Indeed, we think it even better than the first one. There was most excellent taste and judgment in the selection of the pieces, and talent in their execution. One of the fair singers, indeed, might win golden praise from the most fastidious auditory. It was no wonder that she was constantly greeted with applause and *encores*. The large hall in the Court House was crowded, and among those present we noticed Gens. Schofield, Tillson and Manson, and very many other officers.

A Rebel Document.

It seems from the following letter that Mr. Gammon, Clerk of the Rebel Court, was the receiver here of all leather seized, and that one Geo. W. Smith, of Jacksborough, was the *seizing agent*. Let our authorities look after these Davis sequestrators of Union goods!

KNOXVILLE, TENN., July 22, 1863.

Mr. Geo. W. Smith, Jacksborough, Tenn.—
Dear Sir: Yours of 20th inst. received to-day—The leather you will receive, (whatever may be in readiness to deliver,) weight it carefully, and have it taken care of until an opportunity of sending it to this place offers. Keeping the number of sides of sole and upper, and the weight, and from whom received.

Bring a bill of it with you next week, and you will be paid for it at Government prices.

When you forward the leather let it be by some safe opportunity. Take receipts for number of sides, and weight sent, of each kind.

Not much reliable war news. The enemy have been severely repulsed at Charleston again, and it is hoped that all things will work well for our country.

Very respectfully,

N. GAMMON.

Blackburn's Company of Thieves.

Bill Blackburn, a one horse lawyer of Clayborne county, commands a company of mounted rebel thieves and murderers, and about three weeks ago visited the house of a Union Methodist Preacher, Mr. Foster, and at the hour of midnight robbed him of his clothes, three horses, and all other matters they could carry away—shamefully abusing and mistreating the family. Blackburn led the charge, and seized Foster by the collar. More recently they murdered

Mat Burrough, a Union man, in his own house, and plundered the house. George McNeil is the man who committed the murder, but Blackburn commanded the mob.

They are a portion of the regiment of that most

treacherous scoundrel, Jim Carter, of the county of Knox.

What we sat out to say is this, that it is

the duty of any East Tennessee Union soldier to shoot this villain Blackburn down upon sight, no matter where or when found.

An Interesting Letter.

The following letter, though not intended for publication, will be read with interest on account of its tone, temper and sentiments, coming, as it does, from a Southern man, in a slave State. This letter is but in keeping with letters sent to us every day from all points of the compass, excepting always, "down in Dixie;" and if those people were allowed free speech, they would respond to this Missouri letter with a hearty Amen:

CAMBRIDGE, March 24, 1864.

Friend Brownlow—Enclose you twenty dollars for ten copies of your paper. You will find the names enclosed on a slip in this note. We've got hold of a copy of your paper lately, the first we have seen for about two years. We find you the same outspoken champion of the Union as in days of yore. Admiring, as we do, a man who is not afraid to avow his sentiments, even if it should endanger his life, we feel it our duty to sustain him in his efforts to disseminate the truth.

We know what secession is in this neighborhood—Many are the nights we have had to lie in the bushes to secure our scalps from the fury of the Southern sympathizers in our county. They profess to be exceedingly honest and magnificently pure, but the murder of a Union man, or the despoiling him of his goods, is regarded as the height of christian perfection. After a few of this character, they can meet in church, and become perfectly enthused under spiritual (pure secession) influence. This country of Sabine, in Missouri has thus far been spared, but it does seem that Southern sympathizers will never get quiet until everything here is torn to pieces.

The negro is gone up in Missouri. Not true Union men regrets it. Indeed, we doubt the loyalty of any man who clings to the shadow when the substance is gone. We saw nothing in your paper indicating that you are in sympathy with those who would thwart the efforts of the administration to put down the rebellion, even if slavery shall be destroyed in the struggle. We have far more important interests in Missouri than the negro. Battle friend for the Union, for freedom, and against slave oligarchy, and all other kinds of monopoly and oppression, and you will secure the patronage and friendship of true men everywhere.

Send on the paper, and we will try to procure you more subscribers. Would you like occasionally to hear from the interior of Missouri? I could give you some items that you would think were duplicates of what you have witnessed in East Tennessee. The fact is, secession is the same everywhere. It is foul, corrupt, rogish, murderous and oppressive.

With great respect, and thousands of good wishes for your prosperity, success and happiness, I am Your friend,

JOHN WALL.

Extravagant Southern Ideas.

The South, listening to the bad counsels of a set of bad men, has been hasty, uncalculating and wasteful. We are a Southern man, and no less devoted to the soil and climate of the genial South, and its loyal inhabitants, than in former days, but we claim to be candid and impartial. We know that every boy in the ultra Southern States is taught to believe in the natural superiority of "the flower of the Southern youth," and the "best blood of the South," and that he, as a youth, is more than a match in war for five grown men of Northern birth and raising. The truth is, that the male progeny of the cotton lords of the South, and of all large property-holders are brought up in idleness, nay, luxuriantly, and almost without restraint, and hence they are nervous and irritable under contradiction. The most ordinary excitement puts these sprigs of nobility in a frenzy of genuine passion, when they fulminate in grand style in favor of "Southern rights" and in opposition to everything North, including Bibles and Testaments.

The women and boys of the South are not unlike each other in temperament. If there be any odds, the women are more excitable and unreasonable and *unreasonable*; and hence the fact, well authenticated, that the women and boys contributed largely to fan the early flames of the hell of secession, and gave its brimstone-conflagration a much larger sweep than it would otherwise have obtained. The result of this social and political phenomenon was that the boys in the rebel States rushed almost maddened arms at the outbreak of the rebellion, drying up all the colleges and academies in the South. For by boys we do not mean young men and bachelors, but school boys—adolescents, not free from the apron-strings of their mothers, but even encouraged by those very mothers to dash madly into the fight.

Resolved. That we tender to his bereaved companion, aged parents, and numerous friends in East Tennessee, our heartfelt sympathies for their irreparable loss.

Resolved. That a copy of the proceedings of this meeting be furnished his bereaved widow; also, the *Knoxville Times* and *Knoxville Whig*, with a request that they be published.

Resolved. After an aside and eloquent prayer by Rev. Wm. M. Burnett, the meeting adjourned sine die.

AN anti-slavery specter to roll back the tide of emigration which was pouring from Europe and New England, and which sought the prairies and woods of the Northwest, and which under the genius and life-giving energy of free labor and free institutions, has marched forward with stalwart giant tread to wealth and power, while the South, with its fertile soil and genial sky has drooped and withered beneath the curse of slavery. It is for the South, as well as for the welfare of the country, that I wish to see slavery extinguished. Small farms, free labor, free schools, a free Press and open Bible, free institutions will make the South bloom and blossom in the rose. [Loud cheer.] Whatever self-posseid consciousness of her moral status and power—when every man can lift up to God unfettered limbs and soul—then the South will start with a bound; emigration, and genius and art, and enterprise will seek her sunny hills and valleys; and there shall be the Lookout Mountain upon her deliverance, and a race of unending progress to wealth, power and renown. [Lengthened applause.]

A Proclamation by the President.

WASHINGTON, March 26.

WHEREAS, It has become necessary to define the cases in which insurrectionary rebels are entitled to the benefits of the proclamation of the President of the United States, which was made on the 2nd day of December, 1863, and the manner in which they shall proceed to avail themselves of those benefits; and, whereas, the objects of that proclamation were to suppress insurrection and to restore the authority of the United States; and, whereas, the amnesty then proposed by the President was offered with reference to those objects alone:

Now, therefore, I, Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States, do hereby proclaim and declare that the said proclamation does not apply to the cases of persons who at the time they seek readmission thereto, by taking the oath previously prescribed in military, naval or civil courts, are in custody, or under habeas corpus, or parole of the civil, military or naval authorities or agents of the United States as prisoners of war, or as persons detained for offences of any kind, either before or after conviction and that on the contrary it does apply only to those persons who being yet at large, are who from my best information, are now still voluntarily proceeding forward and take and go with the purpose of restoring peace, and establishing the national authority.

Prisoners excluded from the amnesty offered in the said proclamation, may apply to the President for clemency like all other offenders, and the application will receive due consideration. I do further declare and proclaim that the oath prescribed in the aforesaid proclamation of the 9th of December, 1863, may be taken and subscribed before any commissioned officer, civil, military or naval, in the service of the United States or of any Territorial or Revenue officer who by the law thereof may be qualified for administering the oath. All officers who receive such oaths are hereby authorized to give certificates thereto to persons respectively by whom they are made, and such officers are hereby required to transmit the records of such oaths at as early a day as may be convenient to the Department of State, where they will be deposited and remain in the archives of the Government. The Secretary of State will keep a registry thereof, and upon application in proper case issue certificates of such record in the customary form of certificates.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington, this 26th day of March, in the year of our Lord, 1864, and of the Independence of the United States, the eighty-ninth.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

W. H. SEWARD, Secretary of State.

CAMP THIRD TENNESSEE CAVALRY, I.

Nashville, March 23, 1864.

Major ALBERT C. CATLETT is no more. He has gone forth to receive that great reward for which he has been laboring through life.

He died this morning near this encampment of small pox.

He left a brother, who is a member of this regiment, an aged father and mother, and a loving wife to mourn his loss.

As a token of the high regard the officers and soldiers of the regiment had for him, there was a meeting called this evening for the purpose of adopting a preamble and resolutions suitable for the occasion.

THE MEETING having assembled, Lieut. Col. D. G. Thornburg was requested to act as Chairman, and Elias Goldfarb as Secretary, whereupon the following preamble and resolutions were read and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in his wisdom to call from our midst one of our comrades in arms, Major ALBERT C. CATLETT, of 3d Tennessee Cavalry.

Resolved. That we the surviving officers and of his regiment, deeply regret the loss from our side of an officer so ready to respond to any calls from his country, and whose bravery on the battlefield was equaled only by the untiring zeal with which he labored for the comfort and welfare of those placed under his command.

Resolved. While we mourn his loss, yet we feel it to be our duty to bow with submission to the infinite wisdom of Him who does all thing after the counsel of his own will.

Resolved. That we tender to his bereaved companion, aged parents, and numerous friends in East Tennessee, our heartfelt sympathies for their irreparable loss.

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